. CLAIMS

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1. The use as a plant fungicide of a compound of the general formula (1):

$$X \longrightarrow O \longrightarrow R_1 \longrightarrow R_2$$
 (1)

wherein X and Y are both chloro, bromo or methyl or X is methoxy and Y is cyano; R_1 is ethyl or n-propyl and R_2 is methyl or ethyl.

- 2. The use as a plant fungicide of a compound of the general formula (1) according to claim 1 wherein R_1 is ethyl and R_2 is methyl.
- The use as a plant fungicide of a compound of the general formula (1) according to claim 1 wherein R_1 and R_2 are both ethyl.
 - 4. A compound of the general formula (1) as defined in claim 1 wherein X and Y are both chloro, bromo or methyl or X is methoxy and Y is cyano; R₁ is ethyl or n-propyl and R₂ is methyl or ethyl; provided that X and Y are not both chloro or methyl when R₁ is ethyl.
 - 5. A compound of the general formula (1) as defined in claim 1 wherein X and Y are both chloro or methyl; R_1 is *n*-propyl and R_2 is methyl or ethyl.
 - 6. A compound of the general formula (1) as defined in claim 1 wherein X and Y are both bromo or X is methoxy and Y is cyano; R₁ is ethyl or *n*-propyl and R₂ is methyl or ethyl.
- 25 7. A fungicidal composition comprising a fungicidally effective amount of a compound of formula (1) as defined in claim 1 and a suitable carrier or diluent therefor.

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8. A method of combating or controlling phytopathogenic fungi which comprises applying a fungicidally effective amount of a compound of formula (1) as defined in claim 1 or a composition according to claim 7 to a plant, to a seed of a plant, to the locus of the plant or seed or to soil or any other plant growth medium.

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